

Samaneh Atef, Belén Sánchez, Desmond Tjonakoy.
euward9 of Augustinum Foundation in collaboration with Haus der Kunst

Invitation to press conference and exhibition preview

Invitation to vernissage and euward9 award ceremony

Munich. – On Thursday, May 16, 2024, for the 9th time, Augustinum Foundation will award the euward, the most important European art prize for painting and graphic art in the context of mental disability in collaboration with Haus der Kunst. On the same day, the **exhibition „Samaneh Atef, Belén Sánchez, Desmond Tjonakoy. euward9“** will open at Haus der Kunst. It ends on July 14, 2024, with a finissage and – as part of the regular annual programme in the international exhibition venue – presents the works of the award winners and the other artists nominated for the euward9. **You are warmly invited to the press conference, during which the exhibition can be viewed in advance, as well as to the vernissage and award ceremony in the evening.**

May 16, 2024, 11 a.m.

Press conference incl. exhibition viewing with announcement of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize, Westgalerie Haus der Kunst, Munich

- 11 a.m.** Welcome speech by **Claudia Illi** (Press Officer, Haus der Kunst)
- 11:05 a.m.** Welcome speech by **Dr. Andrea Lissoni**
(Artistic Managing Director, Haus der Kunst)
- 11:15 a.m.** Introduction by **Sabine Brantl** (Project Leader, Haus der Kunst)
Introduction by **Klaus Mecherlein**
(Curator and Initiator of euward, Augustinum Foundation)
- 11:30 a.m.** Exhibition tour, led by **Sabine Brantl** with the artists **and Klaus Mecherlein**
- 11:55 a.m.** Announcement of the ranking of the award winners
- 12:00 a.m.** Get together, opportunity for interviews

May 16, 2024, 6 p.m.

Vernissage and euward9 award ceremony

- 6 p.m.** Exhibition opening
- 7 p.m.** Award ceremony
Welcome words by **Dr. Andrea Lissoni**
Greeting by **Joachim Gauck**, former German Federal President (Patron of euward9)
Greeting by **Joachim Gengenbach** (Chairman of Augustinum Stiftung)
Laudatory speech by **Prof. Dr. Colin D. Rhodes** on **Desmond Tjonakoy**
Laudatory speech by **Dr. Monika Jagfeld** on **Belén Sánchez**
Laudatory speech by **Klaus Mecherlein** on **Samaneh Atef**

Please register in advance for the press conference and the award ceremony at event@nickl-pr.de. Detailed information on euward9 as well as short biographies of the award winners and the patron can be found in the digital Facts & Figures document.

The euward art prize

Since the year 2000, Augustinum Foundation Munich has been awarding the euward, which was honored with Deutscher Kulturförderpreis in 2022/2023. Up to 800 artists from more than 25 European nations apply for each competition. More than 240 applications from 25 countries were submitted for euward9. In addition to the exhibition of their works, the winners receive cash prizes and a catalogue with a total value of around 25,000 euros.

Further information on the exhibition and the prize can be found at www.euward.de.

Key data on the exhibition

Organiser: Augustinum Foundation in collaboration with Haus der Kunst

Curator: **Klaus Mecherlein** (Augustinum Foundation)

Project Leader: **Sabine Brantl** (Haus der Kunst)

Exhibition duration: May 17 to July 14, 2024

Opening hours and admission prizes: www.hausderkunst.de

Catalogue: Samaneh Atef, Belén Sánchez, Desmond Tjonakoy. euward9, 39 €, available at the Walther König bookshop at Haus der Kunst and orderable in all bookshops throughout Europe

Press images: www.euward.de/presse

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